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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) to January 27, 2004 is hereby requested to respond to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$420.00 which includes the required fee for a two-month extension of time for a large entity under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 02-4270.

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